

QUANTUM VOYAGES

Conceived and written by Smitha Vishveshwara and Latrelle Bright Music by Stephen Taylor Saturday, April 19, 2025, at 7:30pm Colwell Playhouse

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Krannert Center for the Performing Arts celebrates the UNESCO 2025 International Year of Quantum Science and Technology with a re-envisioned performance of *Quantum Voyages*, a performance piece conceived and written by University of Illinois faculty Smitha Vishveshwara (Physics) and Latrelle Bright (Theatre Studies), with music by Stephen Taylor (Composition-Theory). *Quantum Voyages* premiered in 2018 at the University of Illinois in celebration of Nobel Prize-winning physicist Anthony Leggett's 80th birthday.

Guided by Sapienza, the spirit of knowledge, two voyagers, Terra and Akash, enter the microscopic realm of atomic landscapes and quantum conundrums to discover a magnificent and baffling world foreign to everyday human experience. In moments of strife, quantum sages—real-life physicists—briefly appear to share their wisdom.

This performance will be presented with no intermission.

QUANTUM VOYAGES PROGRAM ADDENDUM

Colwell Playhouse, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts April 19th, 2025

Opening Reflections

Quantum Voyages

Scene One: Photons Wide Awake – What does it mean to see?

Scene Two: Quantum Conundrums and Superposition *Here AND There – Get a Clue*

Scene Three: Ultracold Superfluids The State of Friendship

Scene Four: Atomic Landscapes Frenemies

Scene Five: Superconductivity *Finding Harmony*

Scene Six: Exotic Phases of Matter Lose Yourself

Scene Seven: MRI Probing the Brain

Talk Back

Duration: 65 minutes; 5-minute break; 30-minute talk back.

Note: Quantum Sages Lance Cooper and Mari Cieszynski will join us for this performance in lieu of Quantum Sages David Campbell and Brian DeMarco.

CAST

SAPIENZA Aneta Lee

TERRA Charlotte Howard-Check

AKASH Aarya Mehta

QUANTUM ENSEMBLE

Jon Faw Jason Miles Avi Pellegrinetti Aubrey Pineda Carissa Yau

SAGES

Camille Bernal-Choban David Campbell Gina Lorenz Philip Phillips

THE BAND

Guitar/Spinductor Xavier Davenport

Electric Violin Na'ilah Ali

Keyboards/Computer Stephen Taylor

Percussion Jason Finkelman

Mixing Console/Electronics Jake Metz

PRODUCTION TEAM

STAGING/CREATIVE DIRECTOR Latrelle Bright

SCIENCE/CREATIVE DIRECTOR Smitha Vishveshwara

COMPOSER/MUSIC DIRECTOR Stephen Andrew Taylor

STAGE MANAGER Gabriela Mendoza

MOVEMENT DIRECTOR Avi Pelligrenetti

MEDIA DESIGN Eme Ospina-Lopez

LIGHTING DESIGN Brant Murray

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR Jessica Page Faurie Elliott

CASCADE PROJECT MANAGER Rebecca Wiltfong

PRODUCTION MANAGER Maria Miguens

SOUND COORDINATOR Alec LeBau

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SCENIC COORDINATOR Rebecca Russell

PROP COORDINATORS

Adriane Binky Donley Kira Lyon

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Preethi Basani

PROFILES



Latrelle Bright (Staging/ Creative Director) is a director, performer, and arts advocate. Directing credits include: Witch, Sweat, Cabaret,The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime, and No, Child (Illinois Theatre); Describe the Night, Men on Boats, Fun Home (The Station Theatre);

Elephant's Graveyard (Parkland College Theatre); Top Dog/Underdog (Hattiloo Theatre); Otherwise Occupied, Lost Recipes (Jump Start Performance Company). She has trained with Alternate Roots and Sojourn Summer Institute, both focused on devising techniques and ethics of creating work with and in communities, and Double Edge Theatre, focused on physical theatre practices and work creation. New works Latrelle has helped shepherd include: co-producer of The Gun Play(s) Project with Nicole Anderson-Cobb, PhD; The Water Project, devised with eight local community members, and Journey to Water, connecting African Americans with regional water sources, a collaboration with Prairie Rivers Network through a Catalyst Initiative Grant from the Center for Performance and Civic Practice; and Stories in the Water, exploring deeply rooted relationships black people have with our most precious resource, which premiered at Memphis Fringe. Recently she engaged in an interdisciplinary devised project about the quantum world with physics professor Smitha Vishveshwara, Quantum Voyages, that premiered on campus, traveled to Boston for the American Physical Society Conference, and was performed as a Zoom production (due to the pandemic) with students from the U of I and UC San Diego. She codirected This Is the Ground for Opera on Tap NYC with Jerre Dye at the Old Stone House in Park Slope,

Brooklyn. She is a recipient of the Allerton Artist-in-Residence program (with Nicole Anderson-Cobb). Other recent works include The Joy of Regathering, with Smitha Vishveshwara, Stephen Taylor (Music), and Jeff Moore (Beckman Institute), which premiered at Krannert Center in the fall of 2022; If Sculptures Could Talk, created for Meadowbrook Park; and Unsettled for Allerton Park and Retreat Center, Latrelle received her MFA in directing from the University of Memphis, was a TCG Young Leader of Color, and is an associate member of the Stage Directors and Choreographers Society. She is grateful for her artistic life and attributes all of the above to the love and encouragement of family, friends, and community.



Stephen Andrew Taylor

(Composer/Music Director) composes music that explores boundaries between art and science. His first orchestra commission, *Unapproachable Light*, inspired by images from the Hubble Space Telescope and the New Testament, was premiered by the American

Composers Orchestra in 1996 in Carnegie Hall. Other works include the quartet *Quark Shadows*, commissioned by the Chicago Symphony; and *Seven Memorials*, a 30-minute cycle for piano inspired by the work of Maya Lin, featured at Tanglewood in 2006 with pianist Gloria Cheng. *The Machine Awakes*, a CD of his orchestra, chamber and electronic music, was released in 2010; and *Paradises Lost*, an opera based on a novella by Ursula K. Le Guin, received its Canadian premiere in 2013, conducted by the composer. In 2015 *The New York Times* called his piano work *Variations Ascending*, premiered by Ian Hobson, "persuasive and powerful." He was a 2014–15 Fellow of the Guggenheim Foundation. Taylor is Professor of music at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, where he lives with his spouse, artist Hua Nian. More information is at stephenandrewtaylor.net.



Smitha Vishveshwara (Science/ Creative Director)is drawn to explorations of who we are, from the quantum grains that compose us to our human-ness to our place in the cosmos. She is a professor of physics at Illinois, a writer, a science-artist, and a mother. In her physics research, she studies the coldest

states of matter in the Universe, emergent behavior, out-of-equilibrium dynamics, and more. Her work forges connections with quantum information science, biophysics, cosmology, and space travel. She is on the global steering committee for the United Nations-proclaimed 2025 International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ) and is a Public Voices Fellow with the Op-Ed Project. She recently published a popular physics book with her late black holephysicist father, *Two Revolutions: Einstein's Relativity and Quantum Physics; A Dialogue Between Father and Daughter.*

Smitha communally synergizes the sciences and the arts. She has co-founded an initiative on campus, CASCaDe (Collective for Art-Science, Creativity and Discovery, etc) with two fellow "Quantum Voyagers," Latrelle Bright (performance director) and Stephen Taylor (music director). Her works created with artists, several in this current production, include the short film Solaria, the multimedia performance *The Joy of Regathering*, the circus performance *Cosmic Tumbles*, *Quantum Leaps*, and a fourvoice arrangement of the South Indian spiritual "Raagi Thandheera" for the choir Amasong. She marvels at how *Quantum Voyages* has grown and blossomed from 2018, when she and Latrelle conceived and scripted it, to its production last month at QuantumFest, a large-scale IYQ offering in Anaheim, California. She is very grateful and euphoric about the journey onto the Krannert Center stage with this incredible group of fellow Quantum Voyagers!



Na'ilah Ali (Electric Violin) is a professional violinist specializing in acoustic, baroque, and electric violin. She received her Master of Music degree in violin performance from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. She received her bachelor's degree in violin

performance at the University of Wisconsin– Madison. Beginning with violin at age 8, she had an early interest in playing all kinds of music, which led her to learn flute, recorder, baroque violin, and electric violin. Throughout her career, she has performed at Walt Disney World Resort; Boston, Massachusetts; New Orleans, Louisiana; Anaheim, California; and even in Montreal, Canada. Na'ilah's favorite genres of music are metal, progressive rock and baroque classical music. Today, she enjoys composing music for electric string ensembles as well as singing. Her other hobbies include playing video games, painting, and napping.



Camille Bernal-Choban (Sage) is an aspiring condensed matter physicist who loves exploring both in and out of the lab. When not running experiments, Camille finds creative ways to share science, whether through hiking adventures, kayak tours, crafting the natural world (galaxies, materials lattices) from seaweed, or, in this case, theatre! They are thrilled to bring a touch of quantum clarity to the stage!



David Campbell (Sage) considers himself a quasiinterloper in this production, added by Smitha Vishveshwara as a "reward" (punishment ?) for being her colleague in the Division of Condensed Matter Physics of the American Physical Society. A former head

of the Physics Department at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, he appeared previously as a Sage in a production of Quantum Voyages at a prior APS meeting. His only other acting claim to fame is when he dressed up as a punk rocker (chains , spiked hairdo and all) for the Physics Department Halloween Party and was not recognized by his then secretary. That performance was awarded with the golden corn cob, given in those days to the best costumed Halloween character. Known for his research in chaos, in this role as Sage David speaking about Schrödinger's cat, he attempts to channel Jeff Goldblum as the chaologist in Jurassic Park.



Xavier Davenport (Guitar/ Spinductor) is a guitarist and composer who writes music that is meticulously structured, technologically experimental, humorous, theatrical, often improvisatory, and sometimes entertaining. Born in Ohio, he attended Wittenberg University where he obtained

degrees in Chinese language & culture, physics, and music. He next obtained a master's degree in electrophysics from the National Chiao-Tung University in 2020, then another master's in music composition in 2022 from DePaul University. Davenport is now working toward a DMA at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where his research is centered around applications of current and future quantum computers in music composition and audio signal processing. As a composer, Davenport has had works premiered by Ensemble 20+, Ensemble Dal Niente, Rage Thormbones, and more at events such as the TENOR conference, SEAMUS, and the NEMF festival. As a guitarist, he has premiered works by Patrick McGraw, Jinjue Wang, and Felipe Hoyos-González.



Jon Faw (Quantum Ensemble) (he/him/his) considers himself lucky to perform in another CASCaDe production. He has appeared in film, in bands, and on stage in over 100 productions across the Midwest. He graduated from the University of Illinois and is proud to work for his alma

mater in University Housing. In his free time, Jon enjoys traveling, gaming with friends, and relaxing with his cat, Tiger. He thanks his community for their continued support, especially Mom and Nanu.



Jason Finkelman (Percussion) combines laptop electronics and acoustic instrumentation to create a distinct ambient, avant-world sound. A specialist on the single string musical bow berimbau, Finkelman's roots in improvised music include founding the New York

City-based trio Straylight in 1992 and decades of performances with genre-blurring improvisers. As a composer for dance, Finkelman has collaborated with choreographer Cynthia Oliver for over thirty years and received a Bessie Award as a composer for her full evening work SHEMAD (2000). His most recent commissioned dance score is SHIFT (2025), choreographed and performed by Renée Archibald and Mallory Rubin at Whitman College. Urbana-Champaignbased since 2000, Finkelman leads the everevolving ensemble Kuroshio which released its eponymous CD on Asian Improv Records (2020), and Improvisers Exchange, a performance ensemble of the School of Music at the University of Illinois. Finkelman was established as director of Global Arts Performance Initiatives at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts in 2012. @caxixikid jasonfinkelman.bandcamp.com (Photo by Travis Stansel)



Charlotte Howard-Check

(Terra) (Terra) is a senior pursuing a BFA in acting with a minor in musical theatre. Some theatre credits include *Clouds Shaped Like Pianos* (Masha), *Dracula, a Feminist Revenge Fantasy, Really* (Lucy Westenra), *I Wish* (Milky White), and *Urinetown* (Penelope

Pennywise). She has also been seen in Lyric Theatre's *Under the Stars* and *The Wild Party*. Charlotte would like to thank her family for their continued support. Three squeezes Viv!)



Aneta (pronounced like Anita) Lee (Sapienza) is new to community theatrical performances but not new to expressing herself before crowds. Her work at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign has her either speaking on panels, presenting

at conferences, or training in classroom settings. She hails from Metro Atlanta, Georgia, where she performed in her first stage play—Morningside, written by Topher Payne. Since moving to Champaign, Aneta has performed in two plays at the Station Theatre —Describe the Night (as Mariya, understudy) and POTUS: Or Behind Every Great Dumbass are Seven Women Trying to Keep Him Alive (as Margaret).



Gina Lorenz (Sage) is a professor of physics at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. She does experimental research in quantum optics and loves to share the fascinating ideas of quantum mechanics, including through her role in *Quantum Voyages* and in launching the

Public Quantum Network.



Aarya Mehta (Akash) (he/him) is a junior in physics at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and is overall very happy to be here. Surrounded by incredibly talented virtuosos, he's grateful to have at least 21 years of experience in tomfoolery for this project. He dabbles in biophysics, writing

novels, photography, and science outreach. Aarya is likely to be spotted giving tours of the campus observatory or skating down Green Street.



Gabriela Mendoza is a senior pursuing a stage management BFA with additional training in critical film production and social media. Her SM credits at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign include Dracula, A Feminist Revenge Fantasy, Really; Trial by Jury; Senior Showcase; Studiodance and LTI_ Showcase with ASM credits including RENT, Carnaval!, and The Revolutionists. In her time on campus she has worked at the Armory, stage managing So You Think You Can Stay? and macbitches. She spends a great deal of her time as the manager of the student concert committee Star Course bringing her favorite artists to campus. When not working, you can almost certainly find her at a concert! She is the host of her own music centered podcast called All Gabs Pod on all streaming platforms. She is so grateful for her time at the U of I and thanks her friends and family for their love and support.



Jake Metz (Mixing Console/ Electronics) is a sound engineer, musician, video artist, and multimedia technologist whose work explores the intersection of sound and visual art. As the Media Commons Technology Specialist at the University of Illinois since 2013, he has designed multimedia

studios and consulted on immersive technologies across campus. Outside the U of I, Jake runs a freelance production business and has developed a portfolio of spatial sound and video art installations. He has served as technical director for prominent technology art events such as Knobcon and VIDICON and founded the Immersion Festival, a showcase of multi-channel sound and immersive video environments. Most recently, Jake served as the primary design consultant for the audiovisual system at Gallery Art Bar in Urbana, Illinois. His work aims to challenge ordinary perceptions by blending surreal visuals and spatial audio, fostering curiosity and wonder. Through his installations and live performances, Jake continuously pushes the boundaries of immersive media to create magical, transformative experiences for his audience.



Jason Miles (Quantum Ensemble) is a senior pursuing a degree in mathematics. This is his first involvement with Illinois Theatre, but he has performed in student productions around campus and Triton College's production of *I and You*. Before coming to the U of I, Jason briefly attended the Milwaukee

Institute of Art and Design, where he studied new studio practices. Jason is passionate about the intersection of math and art, and when he is not on stage or in the classroom, he spends his time merging these areas of his life.



Brant Murray (Lighting Design) is a teaching associate professor and Chair of the Lighting Design & Technology program at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. At the U of I, he is actively engaged in leadership and student wellness as a Faculty Fellow in the Illinois Leadership

Center and as a Level 1 Mental Health Ambassador. Brant is also certified in Adult Mental Health First Aid USA through the National Council for Mental Wellbeing. He has over 30 years of experience as a lighting designer, educator, production manager, and consultant. His design work spans almost every genre: theatre, dance, musicals, opera, concerts, live events, architectural, television, and fashion. Here at Krannert Center, Brant was the lighting designer for *Joy of Regathering*, a crossdisciplinary collaboration with the Beckman Institute, the Departments of Theatre, Chemistry, Dance, and Physics, and the School of Music.

Brant is the resident designer for Peridance Contemporary Dance Company (New York City) under the direction of Igal Perry, the Resident Designer for Maria Caruso's Bodiography (Pittsburgh), a senior designer for C & C Lighting (Pittsburgh), and has been an associate artist with Ping Chong + Company (New York City) and a designer for IMCD Lighting (New York City). In addition to working across the nation from Vermont to Wyoming, international touring includes productions in Argentina, Bulgaria, England, Germany, Israel, Italy, and South Korea. Recent collaborations in the world of dance include Robert Battle, Jessica Lang, Ohad Naharin, Sidra Bell, Yue Yin, Buglisi Dance Theatre, and Martha Graham Dance Company.

Brant received his MFA in Lighting Design from the Carnegie Mellon School of Drama and his BS in Architecture (Drama Minor) from the University of Virginia School of Architecture. He is a member of USITT and United Scenic Artists Local USA 829, where he is a member of the National Lighting Design Committee.



Eme Ospina-Lopez (Media Design) (they/them) Born and raised in Bogotá, Colombia, Eme is a shapeshifting storyteller and artivist, now growing and nurturing strong community roots in Chicago.

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engaging the truth within us that our priorities and responsibilities today must be in service to the making of liberated futures. Inshallah you will continue to find them doing work that shares a lifeblood of queer, trans, Black, brown, indigenous, migrant resistance.

Eme moves with the conviction that as collaborators, co-creators, conspirators of visions and of collective rituals, we are imbuing how deeply connected our struggles and freedoms are to one another's, and illuminating how critically our dreams rely on learning to disarm what destroys us and rebuild together. They are grateful to be part of these voyages and share them with you.



Avi Pellegrinetti (Quantum Ensemble/Movement Director) (they/them) is a junior at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign working toward their BFA in dance with a minor in integrated biology. Avi grew up in Buffalo, New York and has danced there for 13 years. During their time at Illinois, they

have performed in works by Alfonzo Cervera, Dr. Kemal Nance, Dr. Cynthia Oliver, Anna Peretz Rogovoy, Sojung Lim, Adanya Gilmore, and many undergraduate students, and studied at Turku University of Applied Sciences. They have also worked with the Crip* initiative at the U of I and cofounded the RSO makesmewanna art collective. After graduating, they plan to pursue a career in dance and choreography. They would like to thank their family and friends for always cheering them on.



Philip Phillips (Sage) learned opera by listening to Peter Allen's NPR Saturday broadcasts of *Live at the MET*. What impressed him most about the first broadcast he heard, *Fidelio*, was that although he did not know

German and there were no visuals, the voices and the music sufficed to tell the story. He was hooked. It never occurred to him that he could ever sing, operatically or otherwise until he happened upon Cynthia Coleman's studio in 2015. He has also benefitted from other subsequent teachers, Rebecca Wilson, Kenneth Overton (New York) and Michael Preacely (Kentucky). His competition results include: first in NATS auditions in 2020 and 2024, second in the American prize in Vocal Performance, Opera Division in 2022 and honorable mention in the Alexander Buono Vocal Competition, 2023. Opera credits include Commendatore (*Don Giovanni*) and Alcindoro (*La Bohème*) both in 2018 at the University of Illinois Lyric Opera, and Colline in *La Bohème* at the 2022 Bayview Music Festival in Petoskey Michigan.



Aubrey Ann Pineda (Quantum Ensemble) (she/her) is a freshman theatre major working toward her BFA in acting at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Aubrey Ann is originally from Hoffman Estates, Illinois and has been involved in theatre since 7th grade. *Quantum Voyages* is her

very first show in college, and she is over the moon excited to have had her first show be in Anaheim, California. Aubrey Ann is also a part of the Phillipine Student Association's PSA Harana at the U of I and on the board for the College of Fine and Applied Arts' James Scholar Program. When not performing onstage, she's listening to music; watching her favorite musicals, plays, and Disney movies; eating sweet treats; and writing short stories. Aubrey Ann would like to thank her friends and family for their never-ending support. She hopes you enjoy this Quantum Voyage!!



Carissa Yau (Quantum Ensemble) (they/them) is an actor and singer originally from Skokie, Illinois. They've lived in Champaign-Urbana full time since 2020 and received their BA in music from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champign. They've been involved in several shows around Central

Illinois since 2021 (Station Theatre, CUTC, DLO, Illinois Theatre, Jaguar Players) and have been delighted to be a part of each one. When they're not in the theatre, they enjoy going to open mics and playing with their cats.

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We work to create the best possible setting for the experiences you seek and find here.

NECESSARIES

Restrooms are located in the foyers of Foellinger Great Hall, Tryon Festival Theatre, and Colwell Playhouse; the east entrances on the Lobby level; and in each elevator lobby on Level 1 and Level 3. Lobby restrooms and one restroom in each elevator lobby are fully accessible and contain baby-changing stations.

Ushers will be happy to provide you cough drops courtesy of St. Joseph Apothecary, or disposable foam earplugs if the place starts rockin'.

If you or a companion needs medical assistance, contact an usher or other staff member.

Please take a moment before the performance to note the theatre exits nearest to you. If it becomes necessary to evacuate the theatre, please remain calm, follow the instructions of the house staff, and exit in an orderly fashion to the appropriate safe meeting location, which will be announced to you.

PHONES AND DEVICES

The use of cell phones, cameras, and recording devices during performances is prohibited unless otherwise announced from the stage.

LATE ARRIVALS

As a courtesy to performers and audience members, latecomers will be seated only at times selected in advance by the artist. Should you find that you've arrived late to a performance, our Patron Services staff will keep you informed about the earliest seating opportunity.

LOST ITEMS

If you are in need of Lost and Found, please visit the Patron Services counter. We will do our best to reunite object and owner!

TICKET RETURNS

If you find you can't attend a performance, please contact the Ticket Office in advance, preferably by 6pm the day before the performance (kran-tix@illinois.edu or 217.333.6280). We never charge a handling fee on ticket transactions.

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